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RE: Sauget Area 2

Deliver by Overnight Mail

Dear Mike:

Attached is the Sauget Area 2 Sites Group monthly report for Sauget Area 2, as required under 2.4 of our Administrative Order by Consent. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,



Steven D. Smith

cc: Candy Morin - Illinois EPA  
Kevin de la Bruere - U.S. Fish & Wildlife  
Mike Henry - Illinois Department of Natural Resources  
SA2SG File

**SAUGET SITES - AREA 2**  
**MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT**  
For December 2000

**1. Actions Taken**

The following actions were carried out to achieve the objectives of the Area 2 Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study:

The AOC was approved by the United States EPA on November 24, 2000.

The Sauget Area 2 Sites Group (SA2SG) met with U. S. EPA and Illinois EPA representatives on both October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2000 and December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000, to discuss a draft outline of the RI/FS Sampling Plan. Modifications to this draft continue to be made.

Request for Proposals were prepared by the SA2SG and sent to various environmental consultants for the Waste, Soil & Groundwater Sampling Plan preparation, as well as the Ecological Assessment Work Plan preparation.

**2. Analytical Results**

No data have been generated.

### **3. Actions or Plans Scheduled for Next Month**

- Interviewing and selecting key consultants to initiate the RI/FS;
- Negotiating and finalizing contracts with key consultants;
- Finalizing internal group escrow agreements;
- Consolidating site history and summarizing data for the Background Section of the RI/FS Sampling Plan; and
- Work on the various aspects of the Data Gap Description.

### **4: Schedule**

- The SA2SG is working towards the RI/FS Support Sampling Plan deliverable, due February 22, 2001.